

Claim 12, line 2, delete "when appendant to Claim 7,".

Claim 13, line 1, delete "or 12";

line 2, delete "when appendant to Claim 8,".

Claim 17, line 1, change "any one of the" to --Claim 1,--;

line 2, delete "preceding Claims,".

Claim 18, line 2, change "any one of the preceding Claims"

to --Claim 1--.

Claim 21, line 2, change "any one of the Claims 1 to 16" to

--Claim 1--.

Please add the following new claims:

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A transmission system as claimed in Claim 2, characterized in that a frame comprises a first frame portion, a second frame portion and a third frame portion, the first frame portion further including system information and the second and the third frame portion including signal information.

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A transmission system as claimed in Claim 2, characterized in that if a frame comprises $P'+1$ information packets, the first frame portion contains information corresponding to ^{the value} P' .

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A transmission system as claimed in Claim 19, the

transmitter comprising a coder comprising signal- splitting means responsive to the ^{first} ~~wide band~~ digital signal to generate ^{said} ~~a~~ second digital signal in the form of a number of M subsignals, M being larger than 1, and comprising means for quantising the respective subsignals, characterized in that the second frame portion of a frame contains allocation information which, for at least a number of subsignals, indicates the number of bits representing the samples ^{of} ~~of~~ the quantised subsignals derived from said subsignals, and in that the third frame portion contains the samples of at least said quantised subsignals (if present).

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20. A transmission system as claimed in Claim 3, characterized in that if a frame comprises $P'+1$ information packets, the first frame portion contains information corresponding to ^{the value} ~~the value~~ P' .

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21. A transmission system as claimed in Claim 20, the transmitter comprising a coder comprising signal- splitting means responsive to the ^{first} ~~wide band~~ digital signal to generate ^{said} ~~a~~ second digital signal in the form of a number of M subsignals, M being larger than 1, and comprising means for quantising the respective subsignals, characterized in that the second frame portion of a frame contains allocation information which, for at least a number of subsignals, indicates the number of bits representing the samples ^{of} ~~of~~ the quantised subsignals derived from said subsignals, and in that the third frame portion